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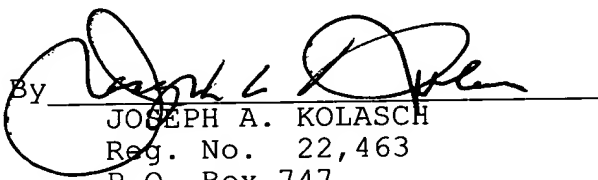
The amendment to the claims is merely to delete multiple claims in order to place the application in better form prior to examination.

Favorable action on the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. \$1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. \$1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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